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W. E. Mason, Esq.
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New York City

Dear Mr. Mason:

In response to your letter of March 13th, if this course meets with your approval, I would suggest your writing to Cav. Toscano requesting that he inform us of the lowest valuation he would accept for the collection. The only person of whom I know who might be interested in acquiring this collection, is our President, Mr. Newell, who is expected back from Europe in about six weeks - or, in other words, in about the time that you would receive a response from the owner.

I cannot be certain that Mr. Newell would consider the purchase, but certainly the first step would be to learn the valuation placed on the coins.

If this does not seem satisfactory to you, please notify me to that effect and I will return the catalogue.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

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June 3rd, 1922.

W. E. Mason, Esq.,
Director's Assistant,
Metropolitan Museum of Art,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of June 1st has been referred to me by Mr. George Heye of the Museum of the American Indian.

The medal you describe is similar to the one described and illustrated in the Numismatist for 1911, page 395 and 1912, pages 156 and 214.

Mr. Wood, our Curator, is of the opinion that they are much later than 1674. This opinion he bases on the style of lettering and the workmanship of the medal in general. I am not able to give you the valuation of the piece. We have no specimen in our collection.

If this does not give your correspondent the necessary information, I should be glad to have him ask further questions.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.